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Boston: Houghton, Mifflin and Company. 1913. 97 pp. Price, 75 cents, net.

Mr. Pillsbury, former attorney-general of Massachusetts, delivered the substance of this essay at Howard University on the fiftieth anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation. He has enlarged the oration by the addition of historical evidence, chiefly from Mr. Lincoln himself, showing that in his mind slavery threatened the very existence of the Union, and that he "realized from the beginning the futility of trying to save the Union with slavery." It is an admirable interpretation of Mr. Lincoln's attitude toward slavery and emancipation, and will be of especial value in acquainting the younger generation with the real Lincoln, who is even now for many little more than a historic name.

DIE GERICHTLICHEN ENTSCHEIDUNGEN: Vol. I, Die Judikatur des Ständigen Schiedshofs von 1899-1913. Edited by Walther Schücking. 368 pages. Price, 10 marks. Munich: Duncker & Humblot. 1914.

This is the first volume in the second series of the work on the Hague Court prepared by Professor Schücking. The first series was entitled Das Werk vom Haag, and consisted of two volumes. The second series considers more specifically the judicial decisions of the Hague Tribunal. In this volume there are five important treatises: (1) The Orinoco Controversy between the United States and Venezuela, by Prof. Otfried Nippold. (2) The Savarkar Controversy between France and England, by Prof. Josef Kohler. (3) The Canevaro Controversy between Italy and Peru, by Prof. Ernst Zitelmann. (4) The Russo-Turkish Controversy, by Prof. Christian Meurer. (5) The Carthage-Manouba Controversy between France and Italy, by Prof. Theodor Niemeyer.

THE QUAKERS IN ENGLAND AND AMERICA. By Charles Frederick Holder, LL. D. Los Angeles: The Neuner Company. 1913. 760 pp. Price, \$6.00.

Dr. Holder is well known as a scientific writer, and to a less degree as a biographer and historian. His object in this book has been not so much to give a complete history of the Society of Friends as to provide the general reader with the leading facts of Quakerism in a popularly written and condensed form. His aim has also been to show that as early as the time of George Fox, the Friends were advocates of the leading reforms of the twentieth century.

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The chapters on "John Bright and Quaker Influence in England," "William Penn in America," and "The Quakers in War Time" will be of especial interest to our readers. The volume is entertaining, and at the same time comprehensive and historically valuable.

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